

MINUTES

FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK EXAMINING BOARD

JANUARY 16, 2014

The meeting was called to order by David J. Waskowicz, Chairperson, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: David J. Waskowicz - Unlimited Journeyperson, Chairperson
Robert W. Hollis, III – Unlimited Contractor
Kevin Wypychoski – Unlimited Contractor
Thomas E. Booth – Unlimited Journeyperson
Edward Peznowski – State Fire Marshal
Anthony D. Moscato – Local Fire Marshal
John Michalewicz – Public Member

Members Absent: None

Board Vacancies: Two Public Members

Dept. of Consumer Protection Staff Present: Karen Layman, Secretary

CT Dept. of Labor Apprenticeship Rep: Tammie Whiting

Public Present: Dominick Kasmauskas John Livingstone

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860) 706-1255.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2013 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board meeting with the following amendment to Page 3, under the heading "DCP Complaint Status Report," to add the following sentence: Richard Maloney also informed the Board that DCP has hired a new inspector, John Mesner, who is actively working on cases at this time. Kevin Wypychoski abstained.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

Jim Piccoli, member of the Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board, introduced himself and stated that he is in attendance today to discuss the issue of the installation of residential sprinkler systems as it relates to Connecticut licensing requirements. Dominick Kasmauskas and John Livingstone were also in attendance. A lengthy discussion followed, in which those in attendance concurred that both the Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board and Fire Protection Board would benefit from working together to address any potential legislation going forward. Mr. Piccoli stated that he will inform the Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board of today's discussion and will be available to meet in the future regarding this topic.

APPLICATIONS:

Daniel Aaron, Uxbridge, MA – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Aaron's (F-2) application due to lack of proof of equivalent experience and training.

Evan Clemens, Plantsville, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Clemens' (F-2) application.

Clint Rokowski, Plainfield, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Rokowski's (F-2) application due to lack of proof of equivalent experience and training.

APPLICATIONS ADDED TO AGENDA BY BOARD VOTE:

Ian Gawel, Meriden, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Gawel's (F-2) application.

Michael Sanborn, Columbia, CT – (F-2) Unlimited Journeyman - Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Sanborn's (F-2) application.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Enforcement for Occupational Trade Licensing
The Board noted that there is nothing to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Stamford Advocate article, *Long Island Man Charged With Extortion*, submitted by Richard Maloney, Trade Practices Division
The Board so noted
2. Stamford Advocate article, *Pennsylvania Man Charged With Extorting Business Owners*, submitted by Tammie Whiting, Dept. of Labor
The Board so noted
3. PSI exam review – Chairperson David Waskowicz noted that the Code Books to be brought to this review should be the version currently adopted by the State of Connecticut.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Military Occupational Specialty Task Force Report
The Board so noted

DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

Richard Maloney, Trade Practice Division, reported that there were no complaints for review this month.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

Further discussion among board members, Dominick Kasmauskas, and John Livingstone took place on the topic of the installation of residential sprinkler systems.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,
Board Secretary

2014 Meeting Schedule:

- February 20, 2014
- March 20, 2014
- April 17, 2014
- May 15, 2014
- June 19, 2014
- July 17, 2014
- August 21, 2014
- September 18, 2014
- October 16, 2014
- November 20, 2014
- December 18, 2014

Meetings will take place at 9:00 a.m. in Room 117 at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut